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1. MORT ABRAMOWITZ TELLS ME THAT HE IS NOT AS WELL INFORMED ABOUT GENERAL STILLWELL'S REPLACEMENT AS HE WAS BECAUSE SECRETARY HOFFMAN IS BEING CAGEY. AS BEST HE KNOWS, HOWEVER, RODGERS IS NO LONGER A LIKELY CANDIDATE AND THE NAME RUMORED NOW IS VESSEY, CURRENTLY ARMY DEPUTY FOR PLANS AND OPERATIONS. THE AUGUST DATE MAY ALSO SLIP TO THE END OF THE YEAR. ABRAMOWITZ IS GOING TO DO WHAT HE CAN TO GET A BETTER READING WITHIN A FEW DAYS; I WILL LET YOU KNOW IF ANYTHING DEVELOPS.

2. I KNOW YOUR INTERESTS, BUT YOU KNOW OUR INFLUENCE ON MATTERS OF THIS KIND IS ROUGHLY ZERO. KISSINGER

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